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EXAMINING GROUP 2154

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In re the Application of:

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For: SYSTEM FOR COLLECTING USE DATA RELATED TO PLAYBACK OF RECORDINGS

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 AND REQUEST FOR EXAMINER INTERVIEW

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Attention: **BOX AF**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 4, 2001, and having a response due on August 4, 2001. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND the claims according to the following:

2. (FOUR TIMES AMENDED) A method of obtaining information associated with playback of recordings at a first device connectable to a second device via a network, comprising:

collecting, at the first device, use data associated with a recording fixed in a medium possessed by a user and identified by information obtained from the recording used to play back contents of the recording perceived by the user and not stored to identify the recording; and

transferring the use data from the first device to the second device via the network.

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